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(SBU) On April 27, Deependra Bahadur Kshetry, Governor of Nepal Rastra Bank and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) governor for Nepal, told Emboffs that the Government of Nepal (GON) had yet to decide whether to vote on Kosovo's membership bid to the IMF and World Bank. Kshetry said that he was mindful of the deadline on May 5, but he needed to consult with the Finance and Foreign Ministers before issuing a vote. Emboffs reiterated the importance of Nepal casting its ballots even if the GON, which continues to hesitate to recognize Kosovo's independence, could not vote "yes" to the membership bid. On April 22, the Ambassador encouraged Foreign Secretary Gyan Chandra Acharya to push the GON to vote in favor of Kosovo's membership in the IMF and World Bank (Ref A).  
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